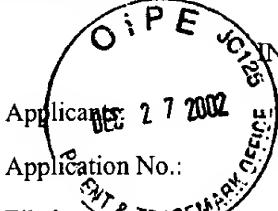


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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Reply to the Office Action dated July 30, 2002 for two months from October 30, 2002 to December 30, 2002.

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